

Application No.: 10/573,682  
Amendment dated February 1, 2010 Reply to Office Action of September 30, 2009  
Attorney Docket No.: M04B132

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 10/573,682

Examiner: Bryan M. Lettman

Applicants: David Paul Manson et al.

Art Unit: 3746

Title: CLEANING METHOD OF A  
ROTARY PISTON VACUUM PUMP

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Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks  
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

Dear Sir/Madam:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action of September 30, 2009, for which a one-month extension is hereby requested. Please amend the above-identified application as indicated below. Applicants respectfully request for reconsideration of the application based on the amendments and remarks provided.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this Amendment.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 6 of this Amendment and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this Amendment